# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

# **FISCAL NOTE**



SB 328 - HB 720

March 24, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits utility districts from collecting outstanding rates, fees, tolls, or other charges actually owed by a user beyond six months from the date an error is discovered and billed. Requires utility districts to reimburse customers for overpayment of usage within 36 months.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- The number of erroneous bills issued by utility districts for which customers are currently being assessed fees for usage beyond six months is unknown but is estimated to be not significant.
- It is the current practice of local utility districts to reimburse customers for overpayment within 36 months. Adding this requirement will not have an impact on current operations.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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